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RICH INDIAN REFUSES AUTO DRIVES HORSES

Indian Made Wealthy By Oil Is Killed By Runaway Team

Ardmore, Okla., Aug. 3.—His in-born love of horses and unwillingness to adopt the automobile as a mode of traveling are regarded as factors in the death last night at his home at Brock, Okla., near here, of Sammy Baptiste, a full blooded Mississippi Choctaw Indian, who was fatally injured when a team he was driving ran away with him near his home at Brock. Baptiste, a poor farmer endeavoring to eke out an existence from his farm and barely able to make a meager living up until last January, was worth about \$500,000 at the time of his death, the sudden wealth coming to him when oil was discovered on his land in January.

Riches coming to him after long years of toil had little effect on ride in a motor vehicle. On that farm and shortly before his death he had been engaged in hauling timbers to the Brock field.

Friends often urged Baptiste to purchase an automobile, but the Indian steadfastly refused and continued to drive his horses. Only once did he refusing offers of other automobilists occasion an employe of an oil company offered to take him to his home from the city, Baptiste having walked to town. Enroute home an accident occurred and Baptiste was slightly hurt. He walked three miles home refusing offers of other automobilists to give him a lift.

On Baptiste's farm at this time, the American Petroleum company has two producing wells and four other wells are being drilled.

Miss Lillian Bailey of Torrance Park passed Sunday at Venice.

L. J. Smith and family have gone to Bishop on a camping trip and will be gone for two weeks.

Mrs. William C. Becker and her daughters of Gardena were Torrance visitors Saturday.

Mrs. H. Blanchard of Andree Av. visited friends of Yorba Linda, Tuesday.

LeRoy Johnson is spending a few days of his vacation this week at Catalina.

The two new houses of Mrs. Vanderahe and sons which are now under construction on South Andree are almost completed.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hannebrink and children, Mrs. H. Krachtand, Miss Emily Schuermann of St. Louis all motored to Little Bear Lake, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hannebrink and children with Mr. and Mrs. W. Boehlert and children of Gardena returned recently from a delightful camping trip from Sequoia Park.

Mrs. R. R. Smith with her daughter Gene and mother, Mrs. Harry McManus, and Selma McNeal and Mary McLain are spending from Monday until Thursday at Winchester.

Saturday evening Mrs. George Greaves entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Turner of Los Angeles, Mrs. Nannie Reyder of Columbus, Ohio and Mrs. R. L. Dinger of Gardena at dinner.

Miss Laura Brown has returned home after visiting for two weeks with friends at the home of Miss Henry Mulholland in Pasadena. The guests were all from the State of Maine.

Mrs. H. Kracht and niece Miss Emily Schuermann of St. Louis, who are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hannebrink, of South Andree were week-end visitors with Mrs. Kracht's brother, Wm. Boshlert of Gardena.

Mrs. J. O. Moore of South Gramercy entertained the Afternoon Club Friday afternoon at her home. Cards were played and prizes awarded Mrs. J. H. Fess and Mrs. Alfred Gourdier. The club postponed their meetings until the second Friday in September the 8th.

Wednesday afternoon Albert Andre celebrated his seventh birthday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jules Andre. The afternoon was passed in playing games. Refreshments of ice cream, cake, fudge and lemonade were served. Those who helped Albert celebrate were Ruth, Bud, Paul and Marie Batch, Jack and Lewis Jenkins, Gordon, Eugene and Melvin Timbs, Dorothy and Evelyn Barnes, Harold and Richard Watson, Harry Phillips, Robert Denuit, Doris Milburn and Albert and Jules Andre. Mrs. Andre was assisted by Mrs. Geo. Watson, Mrs. Joe Beebe and Mrs. Reese.

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